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IN SC, CONTAINED CHAPTER V, ART. 27 OF UN CHARTER AND
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2. REGARDING ANGOLAN MEMBERSHIP IN UN: ANGOLA HAS NOT YET RENEWED ITS BID FOR UN MEMBERSHIP. WE WILL CONSIDER A RENEWED APPLICATION CAREFULLY WHEN IT IS MADE. WE REMAIN SERIOUSLY CONCERNED, HOWEVER, OVER THE CONTINUING PRESENCE IN ANGOLA OF SUBSTANTIAL NUMBERS OF CUBAN TROOPS AND THE QUESTIONS THIS PRESENCE RAISES FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE, AND THE SECURITY IN CENTRAL AFRICA. KISSINGER

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